

Amendments to the Abstract

Please **add** the following Abstract to this application.

-- Disclosed are a method and bi-directional communication device, such as a cable modem (~~202~~), router, bridge, or other communication device adapted to communicate via a network and having a firewall (~~124~~), for identifying those packets associated with inappropriate activity. The communication device includes at least one user discernable indicator (~~126~~)-associated with the firewall. The at least one user discernable indicator contemporaneously indicates that a number of packets associated with the inappropriate activity has exceeded a threshold level.--